

THE SENATE

Tuesday, January 13, 1981

The Senate met at 8 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.
Prayers.

[Translation]

THE HON. ALLISTER GROSART, P.C.

TRIBUTES ON APPOINTMENT TO PRIVY COUNCIL

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, before proceeding with our deliberations I am pleased to inform the Senate that the Honourable Allister Grosart, my predecessor in the Chair of the Senate, has been appointed to the Privy Council. Honourable senators will undoubtedly be glad to join me in extending our most sincere congratulations.

[English]

Honourable senators, Senator Grosart is now a member of the Privy Council.

Hon. Senators: Hear, hear.

[Later]

Hon. Raymond J. Perrault (Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, on behalf of government supporters in this chamber, I should like to offer the warmest congratulations to our distinguished former Speaker, Allister Grosart, the newest member of The Queen's Privy Council for Canada.

The appointment has a great deal of merit. In his new role, the government hopes that it can turn regularly to Senator Grosart for advice.

Hon. Jacques Flynn (Leader of the Opposition): Honourable senators, I should like to join with the Leader of the Government in expressing pleasure at the appointment of our former Speaker to the Privy Council. Senator Grosart has had a distinguished career in this place. He was not in the Chair for a long time, but it was long enough for him to demonstrate his capabilities in and his great qualifications for that position.

I am pleased that the government has followed the practice in conferring upon him this honour, just as was done in the case of his predecessor, Senator Lapointe.

REGULATIONS AND OTHER STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE—CHANGE IN COMMONS MEMBERSHIP

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons to acquaint the Senate with a change in the list of members appointed to serve on the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments.

(For text of message, see today's *Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate.*)

THE CONSTITUTION

SPECIAL JOINT COMMITTEE—CHANGES IN COMMONS MEMBERSHIP

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that messages had been received from the House of Commons to acquaint the Senate with changes in the list of members appointed to serve on the Special Joint Committee on the Constitution of Canada.

(For text of messages, see today's *Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate.*)

DOCUMENTS TABLED

Hon. Raymond J. Perrault (Leader of the Government) tabled:

Copies of document entitled "Government of Canada Tax Expenditure Account: An account of tax preferences in the federal income and commodity tax systems, 1976-1980", dated December 1980, issued by the Department of Finance.

Copies of Notice of Ways and Means Motion with respect to the Taxation of Petroleum and Gas Revenues, issued by the Department of Finance.

Report of the Canada Labour Relations Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1980, pursuant to section 210(2) of the *Canada Labour Code*, Chapter 18, Statutes of Canada, 1972.

Copies of the report of the Federal/Provincial/Territorial Committee of Officials on the Freshwater Fish Marketing Corporation, dated September 3, 1980, issued by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

Copies of Notice of Ways and Means Motion to amend the statute law relating to income tax, issued by the Department of Finance.

Report of the National Harbours Board, including its accounts and financial statements certified by the Auditor General, for the year ended December 31, 1978, pursuant to section 32 of the *National Harbours Board Act*, Chapter N-8, and sections 75(3) and 77(3) of the *Financial Administration Act*, Chapter F-10, R.S.C., 1970.

Report of the Public Service Staff Relations Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1980, pursuant to section 115 of the *Public Service Staff Relations Act*, Chapter P-35, R.S.C., 1970.